Adopted Rejected

COMMITTEE REPORT

YES: 13 NO: 1

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Committee on <u>Education</u>, to which was referred <u>Senate Bill 207</u>, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the House with the recommendation that said bill be amended as follows:

- Page 2, line 7, delete "a public school (as defined in".
- 2 Page 2, delete line 8.
- 3 Page 2, line 9, delete "IC 20-10.2-1-3) or by".
- 4 Page 2, line 10, after "public" insert "school (as defined in
- 5 **IC 20-10.1-1-2**)".
- 6 Page 2, line 10, after "nonpublic school" insert "(as defined in
- 7 **IC 20-10.1-1-3**)".
- 8 Page 3, between lines 11 and 12, begin a new paragraph and insert:
- 9 "SECTION 2. IC 5-2-5-7 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS
- 10 [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2002]: Sec. 7. (a) Except as provided in
- subsection (c), on request for release or inspection of a limited criminal
- history, law enforcement agencies may and the department shall do the
- 13 following:
- 14 (1) Require a form, provided by them, to be completed. This form
- information shall be maintained for a period of two (2) years and
- shall be available to the record subject upon request.

1	(2) Collect a three dollar (\$3) fee to defray the cost of processing
2	a request for inspection.
3	(3) Collect a seven dollar (\$7) fee to defray the cost of processing
4	a request for release. However, law enforcement agencies and the
5	department may not charge the fee for requests received from the
6	parent locator service of the child support bureau of the division
7	of family and children.
8	(b) Law enforcement agencies and the department shall edit
9	information so that the only information released or inspected is
10	information which:
11	(1) has been requested; and
12	(2) is limited criminal history information.
13	(c) The fee required under subsection (a) shall be waived if the
14	request is from the institute for conviction information that will be used
15	to establish or update the sex and violent offender registry under
16	IC 5-2-12."
17	Page 3, delete lines 40 through 42.
18	Delete page 4.
19	Page 5, delete lines 1 through 12.
20	Page 5, delete lines 18 through 42, begin a new line block indented
21	and insert:
22	"(1) apply for:
23	(A) employment with the school corporation; or
24	(B) employment with an entity with which the school
25	corporation contracts for services;
26	(2) seek to enter into a contract to provide services to the school
27	corporation; or
28	(3) are employed by an entity that seeks to enter into a contract to
29	provide services to the school corporation;
30	if the individuals are likely to have direct, ongoing contact with
31	children within the scope of the individuals' employment.
32	(b) A school corporation, including a school township, shall
33	administer a policy adopted under this section uniformly for all
34	individuals to whom the policy applies. A policy adopted under this
35	section may require any of the following:
36	(1) The school corporation, including a school township, may
37	request limited criminal history information concerning each
38	applicant for noncertificated employment or certificated

1	employment from a local or state law enforcement agency before
2	or not later than three (3) months after the applicant's employment
3	by the school corporation.
4	(2) Each individual hired for noncertificated employment or
5	certificated employment may be required to provide a written
6	consent for the school corporation to request under IC 5-2-5
7	limited criminal history information or a national criminal history
8	background check concerning the individual before or not later
9	than three (3) months after the individual's employment by the
10	school corporation. The school corporation may require the
11	individual to provide a set of fingerprints and pay any fees
12	required for a national criminal history background check.
13	(3) Each individual hired for noncertificated employment may be
14	required at the time the individual is hired to submit a certified
15	copy of the individual's limited criminal history (as defined in
16	IC 5-2-5-1(1)) to the school corporation.
17	(4) Each individual hired for noncertificated employment may be
18	required at the time the individual is hired to:
19	(A) submit a request to the Indiana central repository for
20	limited criminal history information under IC 5-2-5;
21	(B) obtain a copy of the individual's limited criminal history;
22	and
23	(C) submit to the school corporation the individual's limited
24	criminal history and a document verifying a disposition (as
25	defined in IC 5-2-5-1(6)) that does not appear on the limited
26	criminal history.
27	(5) Each applicant for noncertificated employment or certificated
28	employment may be required at the time the individual applies to
29	answer questions concerning the individual's limited criminal
30	history. The failure to answer honestly questions asked under this
31	subdivision is grounds for termination of the employee's
32	employment.
33	(6) Each individual that:
34	(A) seeks to enter into a contract to provide services to a
35	school corporation; or
36	(B) is employed by an entity that seeks to enter into a contract
37	with a school corporation;
38	may be required at the time the contract is formed to comply with

the procedures described in subdivision (4)(A) and (4)(B). The school corporation either may require that the individual or the contractor comply with the procedures described in subdivision (4)(C) or (5). subdivisions (2), (4), and (5). An individual who is employed by an entity that seeks to enter into a contract with a school corporation may be required to provide the consent described in subdivision (2) or the information described in subdivisions (4) and (5) to either the individual's employer or the school corporation. Failure to comply with subdivisions (2), (4), and (5), as required by the school corporation, is grounds for termination of the contract.

- (c) If an individual is required to obtain a limited criminal history under this section, the individual is responsible for all costs associated with obtaining the limited criminal history.
- (d) Information obtained under this section must be used in accordance with IC 5-2-5-6 or IC 5-2-5-15.".

Delete page 6.

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Page 7, delete lines 1 through 10.

Page 7, delete lines 21 through 41, begin a new paragraph and insert:

- "(b) This subsection applies when a prosecuting attorney knows that a licensed employee of a public school (as defined in IC 20-10.1-1-2) or an accredited nonpublic school has been convicted of an offense listed in subsection (d). The prosecuting attorney shall immediately give written notice of the conviction to the following:
 - (1) The state superintendent.
 - (2) Except as provided in subdivision (3), the superintendent of the school corporation that employs the licensed employee or the equivalent authority for an accredited nonpublic school.
 - (3) The presiding officer of the governing body of the school corporation that employs the licensed employee, if the convicted licensed employee is the superintendent of the school corporation."
- 36 Page 7, line 42, delete "(d)" and insert "(c)".
- Page 7, line 42, after "corporation" insert ", **presiding officer of the**governing body,".

1	Page 8, delete lines 2 through 10, begin a new line blocked left and
2	insert: "the state superintendent when the person knows that a current
3	or former licensed employee of the public school corporation or
4	accredited nonpublic school has been convicted of an offense listed in
5	subsection (c). (d).".
6	Page 8, line 11, delete "(e)" and insert "(d)".
7	Page 8, line 32, delete "(f)" and insert "(e)".
8	Page 8, delete lines 34 through 38.
9	Page 9, line 1, delete "any".
10	Page 9, line 1, after "(1)" insert "or more".
11	Page 9, line 39, strike "only".
12	Page 9, line 39, after "(1)" insert "or more".
13	Page 10, delete lines 38 through 42, begin a new paragraph and
14	insert:
15	"SECTION 7. IC 20-8.1-5.1-7.8 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA
16	CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS
17	[EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2002]: Sec. 7.8. Before a person may initiate
18	action to suspend or expel a student under this chapter, the person
19	must consult the following:
20	(1) A teacher, if any, who is involved in the matter giving rise
21	to possible disciplinary action against the student.
22	(2) A classroom teacher of the student.
23	SECTION 8. IC 20-8.1-5.1-18 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
24	FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2002]: Sec. 18. (a) This section
25	applies to a person who:
26	(1) is a member of the administrative staff, a teacher, or other
27	school staff member; and
28	(2) has students under the person's charge.
29	(b) A person may take disciplinary action in addition to suspension
30	and expulsion that is necessary to ensure a safe, orderly, and effective
31	educational environment. However, if the person who wishes to take
32	disciplinary action under this section is not a teacher of the
33	student, before the person may take disciplinary action under this
34	section, the person must consult the following:
35	(1) A teacher, if any, who is involved in the matter giving rise
36	to possible disciplinary action against the student.
37	(2) A classroom teacher of the student.
38	(c) Disciplinary action under this section may include the following:

1	(1) Counseling with a student or group of students.
2	(2) Conferences with a parent or group of parents.
3	(3) Assigning additional work.
4	(4) Rearranging class schedules.
5	(5) Requiring a student to remain in school after regular school
6	hours to do additional school work or for counseling.
7	(6) Restricting extracurricular activities.
8	(7) Removal of a student by a teacher from that teacher's class for
9	a period not to exceed:
.0	(A) five (5) class periods for middle, junior high, or high
1	school students; or
2	(B) one (1) school day for elementary school students;
.3	if the student is assigned regular or additional school work to
4	complete in another school setting.
.5	(8) Assignment by the principal of:
.6	(A) a special course of study;
.7	(B) an alternative educational program; or
.8	(C) an alternative school.
.9	(9) Assignment by the principal of the school where the recipient
20	of the disciplinary action is enrolled of not more than one hundred
21	twenty (120) hours of service with a nonprofit organization
22	operating in or near the community where the school is located or
23	where the student resides. The following apply to service assigned
24	under this subdivision:
25	(A) A principal may not assign a student under this
26	subdivision unless the student's parent or guardian approves:
27	(i) the nonprofit organization where the student is assigned
28	and
29	(ii) the plan described in clause (B)(i).
80	A student's parent or guardian may request or suggest that the
31	principal assign the student under this subdivision.
32	(B) The principal shall make arrangements for the student's
33	service with the nonprofit organization. Arrangements must
34	include the following:
35	(i) A plan for the service that the student is expected to
36	perform.
37	(ii) A description of the obligations of the nonprofit
88	organization to the student the student's parents and the

1	school corporation where the student is enrolled.
2	(iii) Monitoring of the student's performance of service by
3	the principal or the principal's designee.
4	(iv) Periodic reports from the nonprofit organization to the
5	principal and the student's parent or guardian of the student's
6	performance of the service.
7	(C) The nonprofit organization must obtain liability insurance
8	in the amount and of the type specified by the schoo
9	corporation where the student is enrolled that is sufficient to
10	cover liabilities that may be incurred by a student who
11	performs service under this subdivision.
12	(D) Assignment of service under this subdivision suspends the
13	implementation of a student's suspension or expulsion. A
14	student's completion of service assigned under this subdivision
15	to the satisfaction of the principal and the nonprofi
16	organization terminates the student's suspension or expulsion
17	(10) Removal of a student from school sponsored transportation
18	(11) Referral to the juvenile court having jurisdiction over the
19	student.
20	(c) (d) As used in this subsection, "physical assault" means the
21	knowing or intentional touching of another person in a rude, insolent
22	or angry manner. When a student physically assaults a person having
23	authority over the student, the principal of the school where the studen
24	is enrolled shall make a referral of the student to the juvenile cour
25	having jurisdiction over the student. However, a student with
26	disabilities (as defined in IC 20-1-6.1-7) who physically assaults a
27	person having authority over the student is subject to procedura
28	safeguards under 20 U.S.C. 1415.
29	SECTION 9. IC 34-13-2-3 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
30	FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2002]: Sec. 3. (a) A judgmen
31	rendered with respect to or a settlement made by a governmental entity
32	bars an action by the claimant against an employee whose conduct gave
33	rise to the claim resulting in that judgment or settlement.
34	(b) The governmental entity shall pay any judgment, compromise
35	or settlement of a claim or suit against an employee when (1) the act of
36	omission causing the loss is within the scope of the employee's
37	employment. and
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2 employee; or

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(B) the governing body of the political subdivision, in the case of a claim or suit against an employee of a political subdivision;

determines that paying the judgment, compromise, or settlement is in the best interest of the governmental entity.

- (c) The governmental entity shall pay all costs and fees incurred by or on behalf of an employee in defense of a claim or suit for a loss occurring because of acts or omissions within the scope of the employee's employment, regardless of whether the employee can or cannot be held personally liable for the loss.
 - (d) This chapter shall not be construed as:
 - (1) a waiver of the eleventh amendment to the Constitution of the United States;
 - (2) consent by the state of Indiana or its employees to be sued in any federal court; or
 - (3) consent to be sued in any state court beyond the boundaries of Indiana.

SECTION 10. IC 34-13-3-5, AS AMENDED BY P.L.192-2001, SECTION 2. IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS (EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2002]: Sec. 5. (a) Civil actions relating to acts taken by a board, a committee, a commission, an authority, or another instrumentality of a governmental entity may be brought only against the board, the committee, the commission, the authority, or the other instrumentality of a governmental entity. A member of a board, a committee, a commission, an authority, or another instrumentality of a governmental entity may not be named as a party in a civil suit that concerns the acts taken by a board, a committee, a commission, an authority, or another instrumentality of a governmental entity where the member was acting within the scope of the member's employment. For the purposes of this subsection, a member of a board, a committee, a commission, an authority, or another instrumentality of a governmental entity is acting within the scope of the member's employment when the member acts as a member of the board, committee, commission, authority, or other instrumentality.

(b) A judgment rendered with respect to or a settlement made by a governmental entity bars an action by the claimant against an

1 employee, including a member of a board, a committee, a commission, 2 an authority, or another instrumentality of a governmental entity, whose 3 conduct gave rise to the claim resulting in that judgment or settlement. 4 A lawsuit alleging that an employee acted within the scope of the 5 employee's employment must be exclusive to the complaint and bars an 6 action by the claimant against the employee personally. However, if the 7 governmental entity answers that the employee acted outside the scope 8 of the employee's employment, the plaintiff may amend the complaint 9 and sue the employee personally. An amendment to the complaint by 10 the plaintiff under this subsection must be filed not later than one 11 hundred eighty (180) days from the date the answer was filed and may 12 be filed notwithstanding the fact that the statute of limitations has run. 13 (c) A lawsuit filed against an employee personally must allege that 14 an act or omission of the employee that causes a loss is: 15 (1) criminal; 16 (2) clearly outside the scope of the employee's employment; 17 (3) malicious; 18 (4) willful and wanton; or 19 (5) calculated to benefit the employee personally. 20 The complaint must contain a reasonable factual basis supporting the 21 allegations. 22 (d) Subject to the provisions of sections 4, 14, 15, and 16 of this 23 chapter, the governmental entity shall pay any judgment, compromise, 24 or settlement of a claim or suit against an employee when 25 (1) the act or omission causing the loss is within the scope of the 26 employee's employment, regardless of whether the employee can 27 or cannot be held personally liable for the loss. and 28 (2) the: 29 (A) governor in the case of a claim or suit against a state 30 employee; or 31 (B) governing body of the political subdivision, in the case of 32 a claim or suit against an employee of a political subdivision; 33 determines that paying the judgment, compromise, or settlement

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(e) The governmental entity shall provide counsel for and pay all

costs and fees incurred by or on behalf of an employee in defense of a

claim or suit for a loss occurring because of acts or omissions within

the scope of the employee's employment, regardless of whether the

is in the best interest of the governmental entity.

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1	employee can or cannot be held personally liable for the loss.			
2	(f) This chapter shall not be construed as:			
3	(1) a waiver of the eleventh amendment to the Constitution of the			
4	United States;			
5	(2) consent by the state of Indiana or its employees to be sued in			
6	any federal court; or			
7	(3) consent to be sued in any state court beyond the boundaries of			
8	Indiana.".			
9	Delete page 11.			
10	Page 12, delete lines 1 through 23.			
11	Renumber all SECTIONS consecutively.			
	(Reference is to SB 207 as reprinted February 4, 2002.)			
and when so amended that said bill do pass.				

Representative Porter